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Electronic Voting: The new political trend?

By Chris Flanagan
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In March of this year, Arizona decided to try out a new brand of democracy by holding the nation's first binding on-line election.

Arizona's 1996 Democratic primary saw only 12,800 of 843,000 registered democratic voters take the time to cast a ballot.

Political technology writer William Mathews, in Civic.Com Magazine, wrote of Arizona that, "... encountering a voting democrat in Arizona was as likely as finding a snowball in the desert."

It was time to try something new. Over a four-day period in March, Arizona's democratic electorate cast their ballots on-line from home, work, school, libraries, polling places, community centers, and Native reservations. Families invited friends over for dinner, coffee, and the vote. A laptop was flown out to isolated Window Rock, the capital of the Navajo Nation ... many there had never voted before.

The earlier turnout of 12,800 voters

shot up dramatically to over 86,000 votes cast in the recent election.

As successful as the vote seemed to be, there were problems. Many Macintosh computers were found incompatible and older personal computers sometimes failed to link.

When asked whether he thought on-line voting was a possibility, computer programmer Geoff Kinderman reflected both the hope and the impatience of the technological community, saying, "I think that perhaps the voting pattern may change

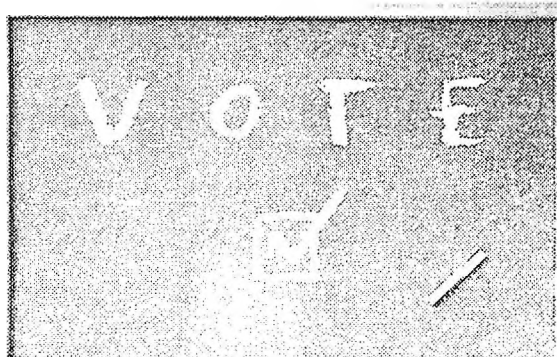
tion Commission's Office of Election Administration summed up the proposition of internet voting by saying, "The FEC does not oppose voting over the internet...but internet voting raises many questions...the voting process must be tamper-proof, and we came to the very stark conclusion that there's no way to ensure privacy or security."

A major concern regarding online voting is computer hacking or tampering, a problem not yet resolved for numerous online banks, credit card companies, and other secure sites.

Last year, hoping to have been among the first, Weber State University in Utah held its own Internet student election. Students could vote from home or campus computers. But four days after it began, the whole election had to be nullified. A "Trojan Horse" program was found to have been embedded deep within the University's computer system. The program had been silently changing votes as they were being cast.

In 1999 the Office of the Attorney General for the state of California commissioned a yearlong study to evaluate the applicability of online voting, and their findings read more like a warning. "The

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as some voters cannot acclimate to online technology while others will be eager to indulge. But since governments seem to cherish the past, I wonder whether there will be a rush to online voting in the near future? There are a few organizations that feel that we are ready to do it now."

Penelope Bonsall of the Federal Elec-

CiOS Knowledge Worker Program comes to UAS

By Alice Albrecht
Whalesong Staff

Tuition scholarships were awarded to 20 students for a one-year Information Technology Certificate pilot program at the University of Alaska Southeast Juneau.

Forty-some students applied for a limited twenty positions by filling out an application, undergoing testing and screening, and providing letters of reference.

Each student signed a contract with the University for the duration of the program where they agreed to complete 45 credit hours during the Fall 2000, Spring and Summer 2001 semesters while maintaining a 2.0 grade average in exchange for receiving the grant, which they don't have to repay.

Students are being trained in one of four tracts:

- Networking Essentials
- Web Publishing
- Cisco Certification
- Computer Applications

In addition to the 45 credit hours,

students agree to a 200-300 hour Information Technology (IT) internship during the summer. CIOS teacher Edwell John will be lining up Juneau employers, such as state agencies, Native corporations and other

impair by the shortage of IT workers nationwide," Jason Ohler reported on the planning and development of this program last spring. The *Alaska Occupational Outlook* projects that Computer Support Specialists are the third fastest growing field in Alaska, Computer Engineers the fourth and Systems Analysts the fifth.

All students were provided with free tuition and a generous stipend of up to \$2500 per semester, if needed, for housing and books, plus a state-of-the-art laptop for their use during the next three semesters. Computers will be returned to the University after the pilot program is over.

Career counselors, students, mid-career change individuals, and IT employers interested in the program are invited to contact the AHTBC at (907)276-4822. Further information and application materials are at the AHTBC website www.ahtbc.org.

Applications to the Fellowship Program will be received continuously through Spring 2001.

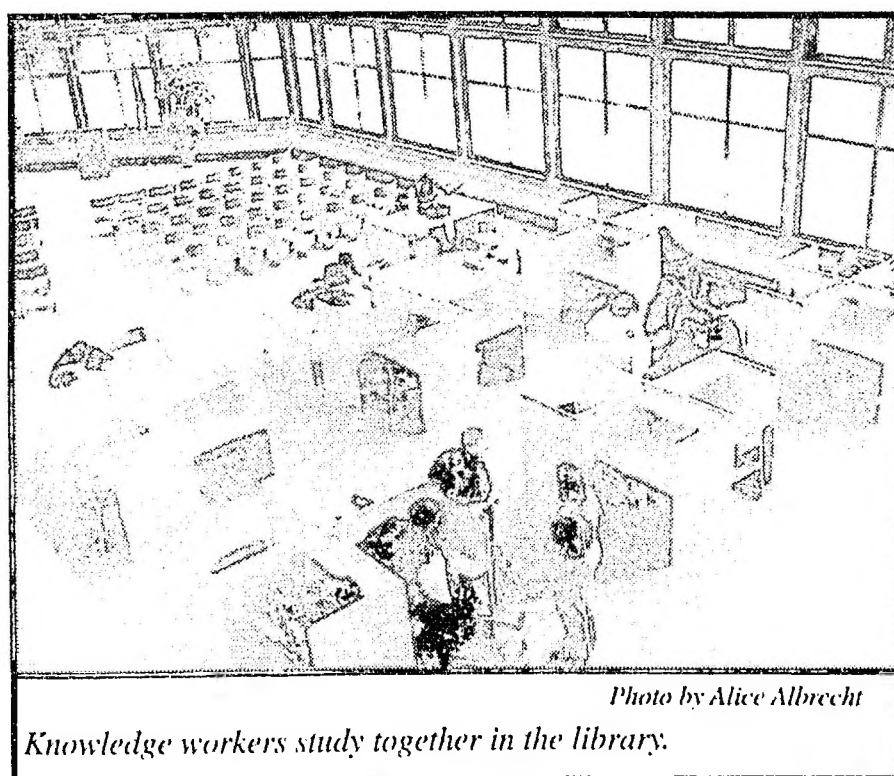


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Knowledge workers study together in the library.

major agencies to provide paid internship for students next summer.

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Editorial

The lowest of lows...

By Seneca Theno
Whalesong Editor

How low must a newspaper be to print unsubstantiated tripe on its pages? At what point of despair do personal gossip and undignified whining become prime fodder worthy of print? However low, at whatever point, the Juneau Empire has attained it.

Word of Mouth, an anonymous public forum printed daily in the Empire, exemplifies a low point in journalism. Is there not enough going on in the world to fill the Empire's pages? Are there not enough entertainment magazines and columns to satisfy readers' gossip cravings? Is it not blaringly easy to compose and submit a letter to the editor? Do people not already spend too much time whining a little too loudly? Apparently not.

Here's how it works: readers are allowed "to express opinions on a variety of issues by telephone. Calls must be limited to one minute and we reserve the right to edit calls for clarity, length and libel. Calls will remain anonymous, and opinions will be published if they meet the editor's standards of good taste" (courtesy of the Juneau Empire). So basically, any person with access to a telephone can call this number, leave a message (under one minute, please) stating absolutely anything that crosses their mind, and then have it published in a professional newspaper!

Let's examine the possibilities. I am sitting at home, bored to death, and looking for something to do. I notice a boat parked in my neighbor's driveway. I call this number, rattle off a message declaring how absolutely annoying it is that some people in Douglas insist on parking their recreational vehicles in their driveway, and hang up (in less than one minute). The next day on page four of the front section is my delightful contribution to society! No harm done, you say? Not so fast. Let's say that

my neighbor had told his boss he couldn't attend a certain meeting because he would be out on his boat. Said boss happens to read the valuable page four of the paper, and notices my rampage about recreational vehicles in driveways in Douglas. The boss recognizes that this description seems to match his employee with a boat, and said employee (a.k.a. neighbor) is in the hot house at work! All because I was bored.

There is another less dramatic aspect of Word of Mouth to consider. First of all, what does it say about the caller? General first impressions seem to be consistent: ignorant, bored, naïve, petty, so on and so forth. What else would you expect when people call to report things like: camouflage dressing could be dangerous these days, how many jobs do we need in Juneau?, I enjoyed the article on the stairs in Juneau, and you shouldn't leave your scooter unlocked in front of McDonald's. Valuable, I'm sure. Secondly, what does that say about the reader? News and information about the entire world around you is not adequate; you will only be fully satisfied by random useless input from strangers.

There is a bigger point here. Allowing people to submit information anonymously, however insignificant and however irrelevant, teaches them nothing about responsibility. If someone has something to say, they should stand up and support their words. If they can't, then they shouldn't be saying it at all. On the same note, how seriously do you expect to be taken if you only speak anonymously? If you really think the driving age should be raised to

21, stand up and say it. If you're really bothered that people sing to repel bears, declare it to the world. Whispering these grievances in less than one minute to an answering machine within the safety of anonymity is, in essence, declaring nothing.

The input of citizens has always been the media's most valuable tool. However, that tool is best served to both suppliers and audiences in structured, thought-out form, like letters to the editor, opinion articles, and guest columnists. Word of Mouth is simply an excuse for ignorant, nosy, or bored people to make even more noise.

Now, if you'll excuse me, I have a call to make...



Turning A Deaf Ear Won't Cure Ignorance

By Melissa Huelsman
University of Cincinnati

I am a racist. Until a few weeks ago, I thought I was beyond that disgusting sense of ethnocentrism that enables the separatism of our human race by the color of skin. It turns out I was wrong. A friend and I were speaking with our server at a restaurant about its reputation of a less-than-clean dining area. This server was as friendly as she could be, and freely admitted to the validity of the reputation. She tried to displace the blame and said the staff "just couldn't keep up" with the clientele. I thought she meant rowdy teen-agers until she lowered her eyes and said with a smile, "And it's not just the blacks, either. It's the punk-rockers, too." After lifting my jaw from the table, I ignored the server and sat stunned for a minute. Certainly, this was not the first time someone made a racist remark in my presence, but this time something was different. My friend squinted his eyes, raised his eyebrow, dropped his chin and tilted his head slightly to the right: the universal look when hearing something so incredibly ignorant one must pause to recover. After a few moments for shock comparison, my friend said, "Do they think that just be

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On Campus

Somebody throw me a life preserver...

By Lola Granola
Whalesong Contributor

Okay, I am drowning. I have the "five weeks in-700 pages of reading-16 credits of classes-12 hours of work-math exam from Hades-papers due every other day-no time to talk-my husband is having us move in the middle of the semester-missing my favorite TV shows-isn't it December yet blues!" It is only the first week of October. For the first time in six years I have to do math homework every night (been tested twice in that class). In the past 4 weeks I have written at least 14 response papers for four different classes, read at least 1000 pages for those same four classes, given two seminar presentations, participated in a number of activities and gone camping with my philosophy class. I have attended at least 20 meetings, for the four different clubs, three different committees, and activities I participate in. Somehow, I have managed to get to the gym at least 5 times a week. I can see the island as I drown, I just cannot quite swim to it. It doesn't matter anyway, I would probably be voted off!

Don't tell me you don't all know what I am talking about. I have overheard you in the halls, saying how you had to read until 2am, speaking of the insanity of the professors this semester, trying to figure out what they were doing when they created their syllabi. I have watched the long lines at Spike's Cafe as you get your daily dose of caffeine that you hope will provide you with the jolt that will make last nights party, study session, date or swim in glacier water (yea, I heard about you crazy freshmen) go away. I see the heads down on the cafeteria tables as you wait for Pat to scream out your name so you can wake up and eat before rushing to the next class. I watch you sleeping on the couches everywhere...in the library, at the SAC, and in the newly redecorated student lounge. I know you could use a life preserver too.

Then there is the whole "will it ever end-looking at the

next nine weeks-I'll never make it" syndrome that is keeping me awake nights. I lay there in bed and wonder, did I really do every thing I was supposed to do for tomorrow? What if I should have proof read that last paper one more time? Well, by the time I turn it in, I don't even understand what I have written on the page because it was so late when I wrote it, it now makes no sense. (I actually look at my papers and wonder

and hear the tunes of Bach and Haydn playing in the background. Don't get me wrong, there are the nightmares too. Like I am in the computer center working on a deadline and look down and realize I have no clothes on...or I am working an event that no one comes to, or I read the wrong chapter for my next seminar, or forget to study for my next math exam (not that it would matter, I would probably get the same

score)!

I guess in my ramblings and babble that I have placed in this paper, I am trying to say that if you feel like this you are not alone. I am whining and using this article in a therapeutic, feel-sorry-for-me kind of way. Lastly, I am bowing down to those around me who work twice as hard as I. You know who you are... the ones with the families who come to class after feeding the kids and working an eight-hour day. I am talking about you out there who struggle through your day in classes so you can rush off to work so you can pay for the classes that you struggle in during the day. I am not worthy of the students who have worked so hard and don't whine at all. Yesterday I arrived on campus and I was hugged by about six people in a period of ten minutes. So I say thank you to those folks who did that. You were my life preserver for that day. Please promise me this: if you see me drowning, reach out. I promise I can swim, and the next time I will rescue you.

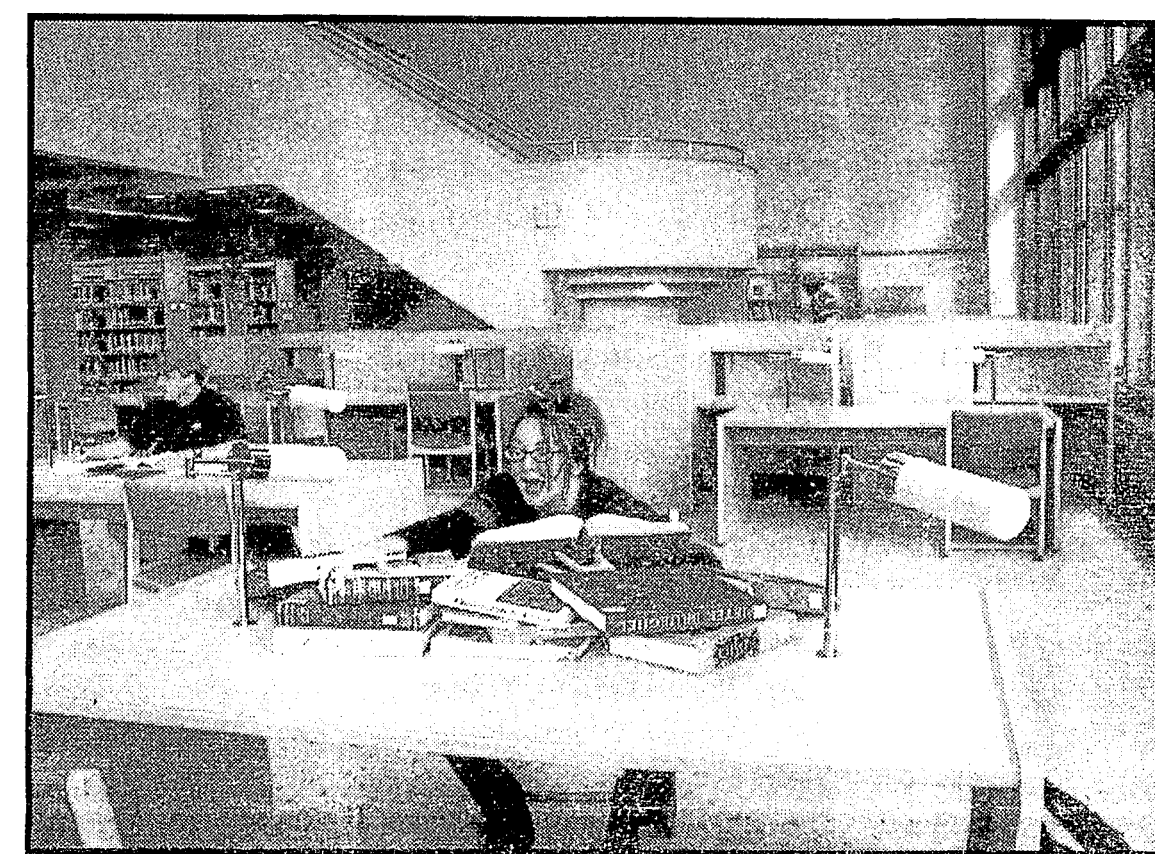


Photo by Seneca Theno

Challenging the Gifted; Lola struggles with an overwhelming "to do" list.

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cause I'm white it's okay to say that to me?" I was not sure which statement stunned me more. When people I know utter these types of remarks, I argue with them, but with strangers, I've always ignored the situation, thinking that by remaining silent I was actually saying something. "Maybe I'm just non-confrontational," I thought. I tried to convince myself I was right not to say anything, that it was the smart thing to do. Then a few weeks later at an area McDonald's, I realized my silence was not a form of protest but tacit consent. I was waiting for my order when two white men placed a large order. After five minutes of waiting, the men started to become annoyed. Soon, one of the men peered behind the counter into the kitchen. He saw a group of more than 10 people standing around with only one man working. The guy mumbled under his breath, looked at me and said, "Look at all those brothers back there watching that one brother work." My jaw didn't drop, and I didn't ignore him as I normally would have. Instead, I asked him a simple question, "Do you think because I'm white that I'm not offended by your remarks?" The man started to smile that awkward kind of smile where you realize you've made an idiot of yourself, then he became flustered. He demanded a refund, he said, because he waited too long. His friend said, "We'll just get our money and go to the McDonald's by your house." I felt an overwhelming sensation of relief as he left the store, but I realized the true implications of my actions when a teen-ager said to me, "I've never heard a white person stick up for us to another one before." I realized those times when I said nothing others may have interpreted my silence as consent. This is not just about racism. When we are silent, we contribute to the propagation of sexism and every other -ism. I'm sure that man at McDonald's is still spouting words of hate, but I believe he might think twice before sharing his views with a stranger. We can't let the only voice be the one of hate and discrimination. Speak up.

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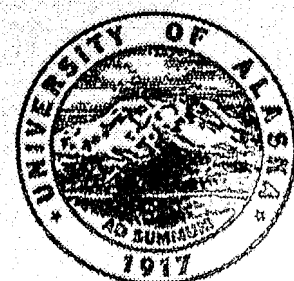
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Ship Saved, but probe will take time, U.S. Officials say

By William Neikirk
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WASHINGTON-Crew members struggled successfully to keep the crippled USS Cole afloat in the Yemeni port at Aden on Sunday, and at the Pentagon U.S. officials made it clear that their investigation into the attack on the guided missile destroyer could be long and difficult.

The challenges posed by Thursday's apparent suicide attack on the ship by a small mooring craft laden with explosives include finding not only those responsible but also how the Navy might avoid similar incidents when it refuels ships in high-risk ports.

U.S. officials, concerned that Yemeni port officials would not fully cooperate with investigators in Aden, took heart that President Ali Abdullah Saleh reversed himself in a conversation with U.S. Ambassador Barbara Bodine, agreeing that the ship had been attacked by terrorists. Previously he had called the explosion an accident.

Meantime, the ship encountered a potentially major problem when the electricity went out Sunday, forcing the weary crew to scramble as the ship began taking on water before power was restored to the pumps. The crew worked through the night to control flooding after a bulkhead collapsed, officials said.

A task force commander said a possible "catastrophe" had been averted. "We've got it patched up," said Rear Adm. Mark Fitzgerald, deputy commander of the Navy's Central Command, based in Tampa. "They've stopped the flooding and saved the ship."

Investigators from a number of agencies, including the FBI and the Central Intelligence Agency, are on the scene painstakingly gathering forensic evidence. That would include residue of any explosive material and fragments from the small craft said by some to be a rubber dinghy which might shed light on the attack.

Affixing blame may be the biggest challenge of all. Defense Secretary William Cohen said on several Sunday television interview programs that the government would be "relentless" in pursuing the perpetrators, but added that they could belong to any of several terrorist groups, including that headed by Osama bin Laden. He likened the probe to putting together pieces of a puzzle.

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright said on ABC's "This Week" program that such a probe to ferret out the culprits "takes a long time. This is very, very hard."

But she said there is "no statute of limitations" on seeking those guilty for the attack, which killed 17 sailors.

Although President Saleh has promised his help, some U.S. officials have reservations about how much cooperation will be forthcoming when they try to question Yemenis, one administration official said.

Cohen emphasized on CBS' "Face the Nation" that the U.S. government wants full access to personnel at the site and those responsible for going out for the refueling. As for Saleh, the secretary said, "He is doing what we ask of him."

Although at least two obscure groups have claimed responsibility for the attack, Cohen said such claims are frequently made after terrorist attacks, adding that the government would try to "screen out those that are real and those that are false."

At the heart of the investigation is how those responsible penetrated port security. According to Newsweek magazine, the U.S. is eager to get its hands on four port cameras that might have recorded events before the attack. These cameras have been seized by Yemeni secret police, the magazine said.

Newsweek also reported that the U.S. had thwarted two other terrorist plots directed at ships around the Arabian peninsula in the last two years.

Navy spokeswoman Lt. Meghan Mariman said she could not confirm the report, although Cohen said American warships must refuel in high-risk ports as they patrol the volatile Middle East.

"For the time being, there will be no more refueling [at Aden] until we clear up the circumstances" of the blast, Cohen said.

The use of the Yemeni port for refueling has become controversial since the attack. The decision to do so was made by Gen. Anthony Zinni as a way of preventing Yemen from becoming a hotbed of terrorist activity. Zinni recently retired as the Pentagon's regional commander for the Middle East.

Yet the State Department's own reports name Yemen as a country that harbors terrorists.

Since the refueling began some 20

months ago, Cohen said, "We have refueled two dozen or so ships in Aden."

When the USS Cole was docking, the ship's captain, Cmdr. Kirk Lippold, saw small craft approaching as part of the mooring operation, said Adm. Vern Clark, head of Naval Operations.

"That's how it got close to the ship," Clark said on "Face the Nation."

The ship pulled into the port with its tanks about half full. The next closest refueling station is in the East African nation of Djibouti. Mariman said the Navy never lets its tanks get much lower than half full because it affects the stability of the ship.

She said the explosion at the waterline was so powerful that it propelled the Cole's deck upward and caused major structural damage inside. The explosion struck at midday, when many crew members were eating lunch.

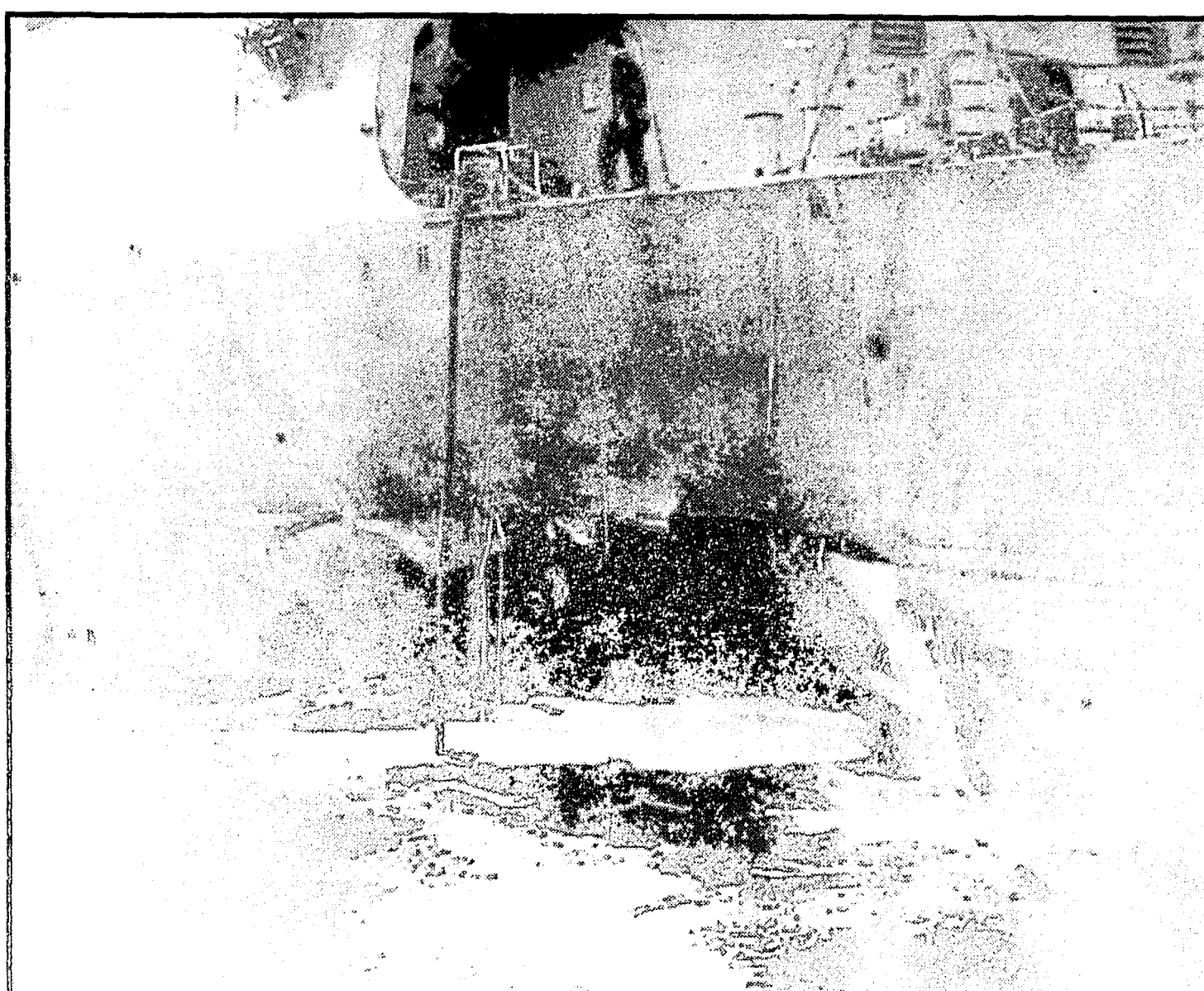
She said the hole was 40 feet by 30 feet, though some reports had estimated it larger.

Just how long the ship will remain in Aden is uncertain, she said, adding that a special team from the Naval shipyard at Norfolk, Va., had been dispatched to cut into the twisted wreckage and handle the grim task of recovering bodies.

Meanwhile, injured crew members arrived Sunday in Norfolk, where the Cole will be taken when the investigation is finished in Aden. Bringing the ship home will be another daunting task.

The Navy is exploring using a salvage ship, the Blue Marlin, to haul the \$1 billion ship back home.

In order for the Cole to be lifted from the water and onto this vessel, Mariman said, it would have to be moved to deeper waters.



The destructive hole left by an explosive attack on the USS Cole.

Photo courtesy of Tribune Media Services

Bi-polar disorder often goes undetected

By Ovetta Sampson
Knight-Ridder Tribune

Colorado Springs, Colo.- In sixth grade, when Rebekah Preston told her mom she was depressed, her mother told her to drink a cup of hot tea and read "Calvin and Hobbes," Rebekah's favorite comic book. It didn't help.

By eighth grade, thoughts of suicide filled Rebekah's head. She made up wills. She held razor blades and X-Acto knives over her wrists. By high school, she ran away from home for days at a time, she started abusing alcohol and her behavior got more erratic and out of control.

A relative told Monica Preston, Rebekah's mother, to throw her and her stuff out on the street until she straightened up. A church counselor said the problems stemmed from her relationship with her father. They were wrong.

Rebekah Preston, now 21 and an art student at Pikes Peak Community College, suffers from bipolar disorder. She has a chemical imbalance in her brain that makes her oscillate between extreme moods of elation and severe depression. Like many teens who suffer from mental illness, she went undiagnosed for years.

Experts say myths about teen behavior and ignorance about teen mental health have combined to blind society to teen mental illness. Parents, convinced that moodiness, anti-social behavior and thoughts of suicide are par for the course for teen-agers, may overlook signs of serious mental illness. The delay could be deadly.

Family relationships with teens grow strained, and teens grow up feeling isolated and alone. Worse, teens, who are more impulsive than adults, may be inclined to end their suffering through suicide.

But experts say by becoming more aware of the symptoms associated with mental illness, parents can tell the difference between normal teen angst and bigger problems. And teens soon can be on the road to recovery.

"A strong parent-child relationship increases the likelihood that a kid will access

care and feel supported," said Katherine Koselka Robredo, a therapist who treats adolescents at the Front Range Institute in Colorado Springs.

Until 20 years ago, the psychiatry world believed children didn't have the mental maturity for such "adult" illnesses as depres-

and they might indulge in not-so-smart behavior. But there's a limit. "Normal adolescents do not want to kill themselves," said Dr. Elizabeth Cottingham, a clinical child and adolescent psychiatrist at Children's Hospital Medical Center in Cincinnati. "Normal adolescents do not engage in excessive alcohol

between teen growing pains and symptoms of mental illness?"

For the Prestons, it came in Rebekah's early high-school years, when she started running away from home and disappearing for hours at a time.

Specifically, one day, Rebekah, usually quiet and reserved, stood on a desk in her German class and began a loud, raucous comedy routine. Monica Preston said she started comparing notes with other families.

"(The behavior) was so bizarre," she said. "It was much more bizarre than what the other kids were

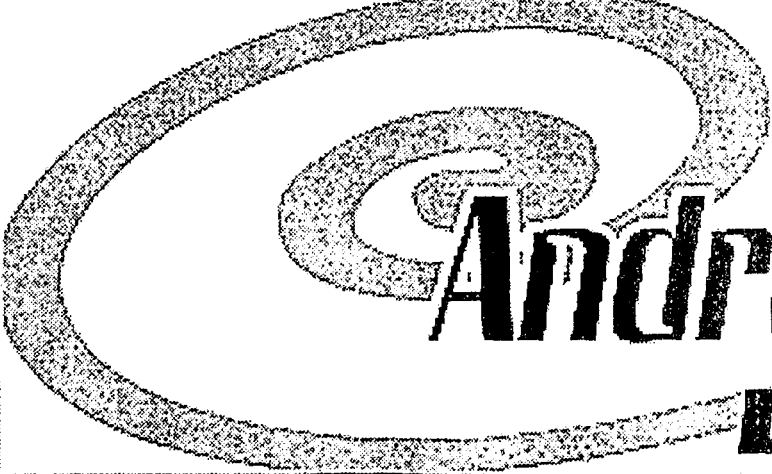
doing."

Depressed teens behave in exaggerated fashions. It may be normal for teens to lock themselves in their room for privacy, but if a teen is doing it for days, even weeks at a time, there may be an underlying problem. "If a teen hasn't been to school for weeks, if their diary is filled with suicidal poetry, parents say that's normal, but it's not," said Koselka Robredo, the clinical therapist.

It took five years, but Rebekah finally received the right diagnosis and the right medication, one that controls her depression but doesn't stimulate her mania. She has been stable for the past few months.

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Focus

Juneau climbers conquer Denali

UAS student Al Treacy among those who summit

By CHARLES BINGHAM
THE JUNEAU EMPIRE
July 5, 2000

The window in the weather was closing and it was becoming a race to see if six Juneau climbers could get off the mountain before a three-day storm moved in. The Juneau climbers — Al Treacy, Bob Bartholomew, Rich Clark, Paul Hamby, Doug Wessen and Jim Kistler (a former Juneau resident now living in the Phoenix, Ariz., area) — had just conquered Mount McKinley, but the approaching storm threatened to keep them trapped at the 7,200-foot base camp for days unless they could make the small opening in the weather.

As storm clouds boiled around in the distance, the Juneau climbers quickly threw their gear into two planes at the top of Kahiltna Glacier in preparation for departure. The climbers had already been on the mountain for 22 days and not only was their food running out, but Treacy needed medical attention for six frostbitten fingers and two frostbitten toes. One of the planes, containing Treacy, Bartholomew and Clark, gunned its engine and began its descent down the sloped glacier airstrip. Just as Clark said, "All right, we're out of here," the pilot aborted his takeoff and spun the airplane to the right, embedding the right ski in the snow. The plane was too heavy. So the climbers had to offload all their gear, then, with the help of several other climbers at base camp, they had to push the plane back up to the top of the sloped airstrip for another attempt. Finally both planes took off, just as the weather closed in. They were the only planes to get off Mount McKinley that day, and just an hour or so later another plane piloted by Iditarod musher-Don Bowers became disoriented in the

weather and crashed, killing Bowers and his three park ranger passengers. "It was just the mountain kicking our butts all the way down," Treacy said of the storm. "We barely escaped. We had to chuck our packs, but at that point it was 'Who cares? We're leaving,'" Bartholomew said.

Of the seven members of the expedi-

"...an avalanche swept down the mountain and missed the camp site...by just 200 yards."

tion, which did not use a guiding service, five are members of the Capital City Fire Rescue's rope rescue team (Kistler and Clark are the non-members). Wessen and Bausler also are members of the Juneau Mountain and Rescue squad.

The Juneau climbers, who ranged in age from 24 to 44, have been climbing together for four or five years, with some members of the group climbing together for more than 10 years. Of the group, Bartholomew was the only one who had been on the top of Mount McKinley before, having summited the peak twice. Wessen was in a 1992 climbing party that reached the 19,000-foot level of the 20,320-foot mountain, but the group got turned back by the weather.

It was during one of the group's local climbs a few years ago that the idea was kicked around to climb Mount McKinley, the tallest peak in North America. After not giving the idea much initial thought, the Juneau climbers decided to attempt the mountain during the 2000 climbing season, which usually runs from May to July each year.

"We had the technical skills we needed, because of the rope rescue team," said Treacy, who also teaches climbing classes for the University. "It was just a matter of getting our physical training in, our cardiovascular training."

The Juneau climbers headed to

Anchorage a few days before Memorial Day, spending a couple of days at the home of Bartholomew's parents while they purchased last-minute supplies and prepared their gear for the climb. Finally, on May 29, the group flew into the Kahiltna Glacier base camp, ready to start its climb up the popular West Buttress route to the 20,320-foot South Peak of Mount McKinley. The route was pioneered by mapmaker/climbing legend Bradford Washburn in 1951 and has since become the most popular route up the mountain with more than 1,000 climbers a year heading up Mount McKinley in recent years, the vast majority using the West Buttress route.

Once on the mountain, the Juneau climbers took things easy for the first few days as they adjusted to the altitude and practiced emergency skills like crevasse rescues. Bartholomew said they spent the first six days practicing, and they were also slowly moving gear up the mountain and caching it at higher altitudes before returning to base camp for the night.

Kistler said the group made good time to the 11,000-foot level, but then Bartholomew said the weather started to turn ugly and the group was stuck there for five days. Luckily, the group had arrived early in the day and had been able to pick the best existing campsites recently vacated by climbers on the way up or down the mountain, campsites that already had snow windbreaks built by previous climbers.

While camped at the 11,000-foot level, there was one scary moment when an avalanche swept down the mountain and missed the camp site, which also had several other climbing parties, by just 200 yards. "This big block of ice came down, about the size of a house," Kistler said. "It was 40 feet by 30 feet, and it shook, rattled and rolled down the mountain," Bartholomew said. "It went right down beside our camp."

From there, the group climbed up to the 14,000-foot level, just below the Headwall, where they spent six nights adjusting to altitude and waiting for the weather to clear again. Then it was another two days to the 17,000-foot level. Bausler, who had work commitments with SEARHC, left the group on June 11-12 after reaching the 16,000-foot level. A few days later, Hamby left the group and joined some British climbers heading back down to the 14,000-foot level.

When the five remaining climbers reached the 17,000 foot High Camp, Treacy was hitting the wall because he hadn't eaten enough food and didn't drink enough water during the climb. But the group had budgeted three days of rest at High Camp, and Treacy was recuperated by the time they were ready to attack the summit on June 16.

Focus

Finally, on the morning of June 16, it was time for the final push up the mountain. Bartholomew, who most of the climbers credited with getting them to the top, decided he would take a pass on reaching the summit since he'd already been to the top of Mount McKinley twice before. Instead, he would stay at the 17,000-foot High Camp and would have food and fluids ready for the four climbers who would make the summit. The raw temperature was minus-30 degrees, with a wind chill of minus-80, when Treacy and Clark paired off in one group of two, with Wessen and Kistler in the other pairing. The two groups would get separated during their assaults on the summit, but both reached the top of the mountain. One photo of the group leaving High Camp, taken by Bartholomew, showed at least 30 other climbers also heading for the summit that day as the weather finally broke for a summit attempt. "There hadn't been anyone to the summit for nine days when they went up," Bartholomew said. Before the weather broke, Kistler said he'd been ready to turn around and head back, but he was glad he was able to stick it out.

The group left shortly before noon for the summit, and it was about midnight when Treacy and Clark finally returned to High

Camp, and it was even later when Kistler and Wessen returned. Both pairs were very weary when they finally trudged into camp, only to be rejuvenated when Bartholomew thrust some food at them. "If Bob hadn't been there (at High Camp) to cook for us, we would have been in trouble," Treacy said. "I never could have gotten my harness off."

Having summited, the climbers took two days to return to the 7,200-foot Kahiltna Base Camp. Treacy said conditions deteriorated so much on their descent that at times their visibility was so bad they could barely see beyond their own feet.

They finally arrived at base camp about midnight on June 19, only to be told that a storm was moving in and they'd likely be trapped there for at least three or four days. The Juneau climbers, who had regrouped with Hamby, went to sleep thinking they were stuck on the mountain. But when they awoke the next morning, they found out there would be a brief opening in the weather about noon and possibly a plane or two would be able to get in to pick up some climbers and get away before the weather moved back in.

The weather opened up, and the climbers were able to get off the mountain,



Photo courtesy of Al Treacy
Al Treacy is a T.A. for the UAS climbing classes.

with five of them sticking around in Talkeetna for a few days to await their gear while Treacy returned to Juneau so his frostbite could be treated. His fingertips were still a bit blistered on Tuesday, but Treacy is healing and should return to work later this week. The only other health problem was some minor frostnip on four of Kistler's toes.

"We all lost about 15-20 pounds," Treacy said. "I was just glad we were able to get to the top, so I wouldn't be thinking later in life that I hadn't made it and I'd feel a need to go back."

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implementation of Internet voting would allow increased access to the voting process for millions of potential voters who do not regularly participate in our elections. However, technological threats to the security, integrity, and secrecy of Internet ballots are significant. The possibility of "Virus" and "Trojan Horse" software attacks on home and office computers used for voting is very real and could result in a number of problems ranging from a denial of service to the submission of electronically altered ballots."

The idea of Internet voting is being toyed with closer to home. Lieutenant Governor Fran Ulmer says, "We are working with the University of Alaska to try Internet voting for student-related elections next spring. We are also assisting Youth e-Vote, which is conducting the mock election for high school students this fall. Students will be issued identification numbers to prevent fraud in the election."

However, the state is not yet ready for a real online vote. "There are a number of concerns with the current state of technology for online voting. For example, current security systems need to be upgraded before the state of Alaska could certify an online election. Cost at this time is prohibitive, and concerns regarding the "digital divide" need to be addressed so that we don't create two classes of voters—those with immediate access online and those without."

There are real benefits to online voting, however. "Access to election results would be quick, and voters who, for any reason, have trouble making it to a fixed polling place on election day would have full access to the process from their homes. E-voting, when fully developed, will certainly make it easier for voters to participate in this very important process," Ulmer emphasizes.

Some good sites with information about Internet voting are the Internet Voting Technology Alliance (www.ivta.org), VoteSite (www.votesite.org), a proponent of online voting, and SecurePoll (www.securepoll.com/Papers.htm), which includes information on the issue of security in online voting.

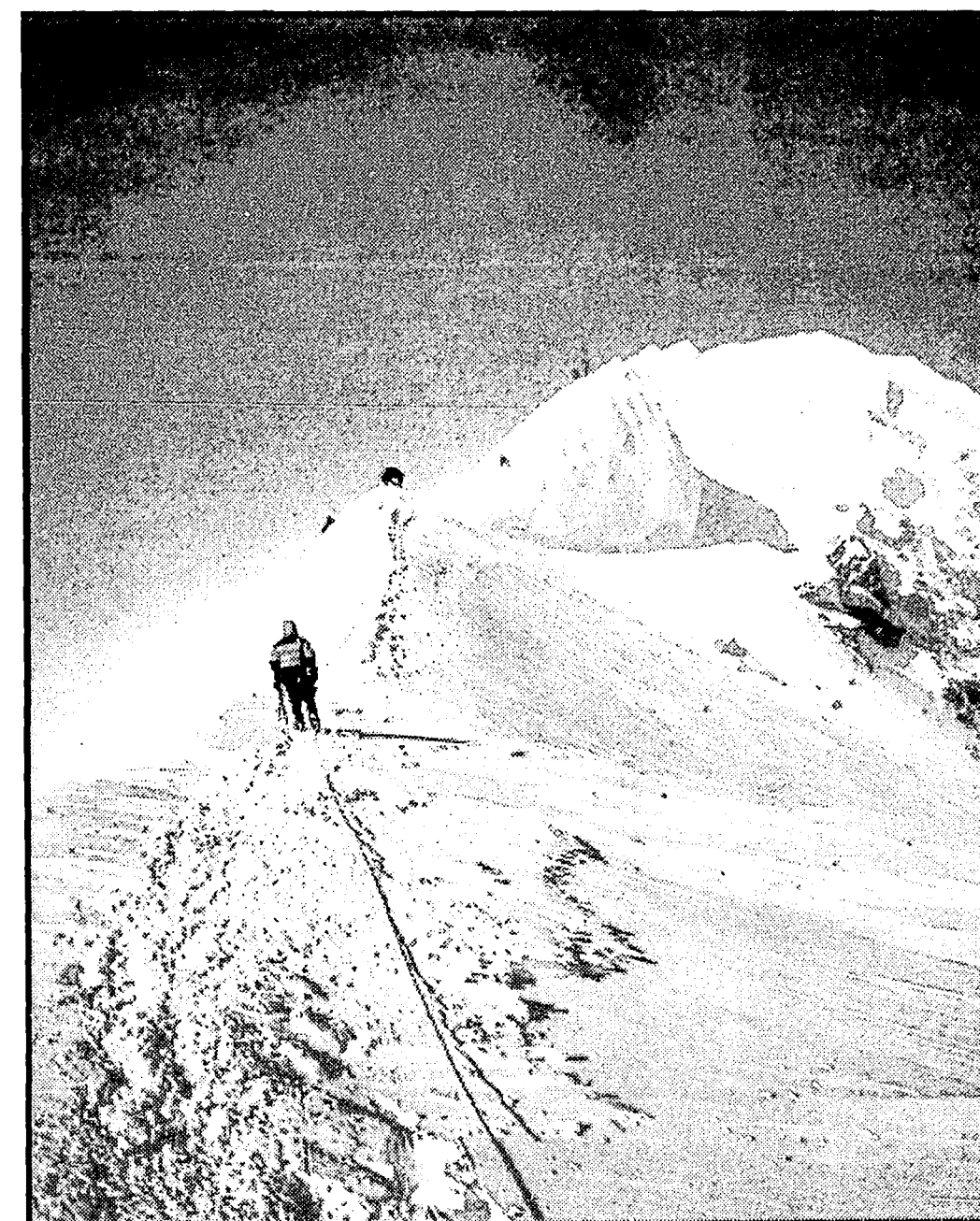


Photo courtesy of Al Treacy
Juneau climbers make their way up Denali earlier this year.

Short stories and poems brought to life ...

Stories on a Dark Night

Experience the magic on October 30th at 9 pm
Student Activities Center (SAC)



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Photo courtesy of Al Treacy
UAS student Al Treacy stands triumphantly atop Denali.

UAS Electronic Gaming Club

By Clarissa Pungowiyi
Whalesong Contributor

Clarissa Pungowiyi reports from the UAS Electronic Gaming Club:

If you are at a loss for what to do on Saturday night, swing by the computer lab. Surprisingly, it's a pretty hopping place. What's going on? The Electronic Gaming Club is holding its weekly meeting! From 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturday nights, the main computer lab, located in the Whitehead Building, is transformed into "the game zone!"

You'll find people of all ages gathered together every Saturday to play games that range from the classics like *Worms* and *Frogger*, to cutting edge games like *Diablo II*, *Half-Life/Counter-Strike* and *Starcraft*. If those games aren't for you, there are usually plenty of other options. People bring in personal copies of games like *Quake*, *Icwind Dales*, *Tribes* and *Boulder's Gate*...just to name a few. If you've never played, don't be shy. There are always people willing to take time to show you the ropes. All you need to do is let someone know who you are, and you might want to bring a pair of

headphones.

Here are some other venues that the Electronic Gaming Club provides:

- Friday, October 20, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. in the Cafeteria - Training Session! If you're new to the world of computer games, or just want to hone your skills, stop by and we'll have tables and a little network set up for practicing and learning games.

- Saturday, October 21 7 p.m. - Whitehead Computer Lab - All Night Gaming Session.

- The Electronic Gaming Club will be hosting tournaments! Keep your eye out for time, place and game!

- Also available is Battle.net and Internet competitions, including competing with University of Alaska Fairbanks.

So just to recap...Saturday Nights, starting at 7 p.m., the Whitehead Computer Lab is transformed into the UAS Game Zone! All students, staff, and faculty are welcomed to come play and bring a guest along! If you have any questions feel free to contact Clarissa Pungowiyi, Club President, at 790-7254 or thru e-mail at jscnp@uas.alaska.edu.

Of lightened wallets and heavy hearts: The mystery of UAS cafeteria food prices explained

By Amber Timothy
Whalesong Staff

Saunter into the Mourant Building around noon and in the cafeteria you'll most likely find a line of students, Staff and Faculty waiting patiently to purchase their lunches of lasagna, burgers, salad, or other treats. Looks harmless enough. Venture a bit closer to the line and you might hear exasperated phrases such as "Wow! This stuff is expensive!" or "Five bucks for a salad! Ouch!" The price of cafeteria food sold at the University of Alaska Southeast is the source of dozens of student complaints every year according to Tish Griffin, director of food service. "I know there's sometimes frustrations on cost," she said. "It's definitely what students bitch about the most." But she'd like to explain why food prices "are what they are."

A brief history is in order. Until 1990, UAS's food service was funded and run by REACH, a local organization to help the disabled. Under their direction,

the cafeteria was little more than a "hamburger/hot dog bar," Griffin said. Ten years ago REACH decided it was no longer financially viable to continue catering to the University's cafeteria, and UAS looked to Griffin to solve the dilemma. Since REACH's leaving, the University twice considered contracting out food services, but both times the Chancellor vetoed the idea; he felt it was in the best interest of the students not to have a profit-making organization provide the service because "you have very little control over pricing and what's offered," explained Griffin.

UAS's food services drastically changed in 1996 to coincide with the opening of Banfield Hall. "We underwent a major renovation, and it kind of went from a snack bar to a full-service cafeteria," including a new hot meal counter, grill and salad bar, Griffin said. That same year a mandatory meal plan for Banfield Hall residents

CLUBS, CLUBS, CLUBS

By Alice Albrecht
Whalesong Staff

Do you have a special hobby or interest? Do you think others may share that interest? Then maybe you should create or join a club.

Currently, Student Services has the following certified clubs available for students to join:

- Magic Club (the Gathering)
- FRAS (French/Russian/Austrian/Swedish)
- Global Connections
- Synchronized Swim Team
- UAS Fly Fishing
- UAS Gaming
- Cooking Club
- Big Band Jazz
- UAS Christian Fellowship
- American Fisheries
- Spanish Club
- Massage Club
- PEACE Club
- UAS Christian
- Scrapbooking

In addition to the certified clubs, other clubs are forming, which don't have their paperwork in yet: Ultimate Frisbee, Photography, Climbing, Yoga, Activities, Bowling, Wooooh Ee, Environment, Recycling, Cardio Kick, Amnesty International, Clay, Softball, The Man Club, Women's Club, Poetry, Single Parent/Students w/Families, Back Country Ski/Snowboarding, Women's Snowboarding, X-Country Ski, Ski Club and Board Club, Intramural Volleyball, Intramural Soccer, Intramural Basketball, Chess, Jam Session/Open Mike, Fight Club, and Strip Club? (Note to self: Check out this club!)

If you'd like to create a new club or join any of these clubs, see Iris Cortes at Student Services, outside the bookstore to sign up. If you'd like to start your own club, then pick up a UAS Student Club Request for Recognition form from Iris and get it filled out. The form requires at least five signatures of students who will be participating in your club and a club advisor. (Advisor must be a University Faculty or Staff community member with approval by JSUAS-JC Senate.)

A budget of up to \$300 is allowed for each club. Before any money can be disbursed, you'll need to develop a budget to explain where the club intends to spend the money. Tish Griffin will coordinate payments for expenses with you.

was also instituted. Costing \$1,300 for three meals a day seven days a week, the plan was unpopular to students: "We had a significant missed meal factor because students just weren't coming down to campus," Griffin said. Students also didn't like being confined to only two meal choices, vegetarian or non-vegetarian, as well as having to dish out extra cash for soft drinks and lattes, which were not included in the plan.

In 1997, after taking student complaints and comments into account, the school switched from the three-meals-a-day plan to an automated debit system where students can eat what they want, when they want, and charge it to a food card. Still mandatory for housing students, the new plan costs \$985, a \$300 decrease from the defunct arrangement.

But what does this have to do with food prices in the cafeteria?

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Plenty. Because the food plan is obligated to provide three meals a day to residential students, the cafeteria stays open on weekdays until 8 p.m. "We run a significant labor cost running all the way through eight o'clock in the evening," Griffin said. "If I had my druthers, I'd only run it till six and save the staffing." Compounding the problem is the fact that in the evenings the University sees more of its nontraditional population, most of whom eat at home before attending night classes. "There just isn't a dinner population," Griffin said.

Another reason food prices at UAS are so high is because the University offers its employees attractively sized paychecks and benefits, unlike most restaurants that simply pay their employees minimum wage.

But the cafeteria's biggest cost is providing hot meals. Food service staff offer a vegetarian and non-vegetarian meal at lunch and dinner, but because it's impossible to know ahead of time how many students will show up, preparing the right amount of food is tricky. "The challenge for us is, how do you

satisfy a number of different entities: staff and faculty, general public, the commuter student and the residential student, and how do you be everything to everybody?" Griffin said.

As the director of food service, she knows attempting to do so is futile, which is why "I'm working very, very hard to break even. I'm not trying to make a profit," Griffin said. And with substantial losses over the past two years—a \$60,000 deficit in 1998 and a \$30,000 deficit in 1999—she is "certainly open to feedback."

Conceding that UAS's food prices are a bit steep, Griffin added, "If you compare our prices against most other retail operations, you can't get the lasagna entree for five bucks anywhere else in town." And what a lasagna it is.

Help UAS (and you!) save some bucks

By Amber Timothy
Whalesong Staff

One of the most common complaints administrators hear from students is regarding the cost of food in the cafeteria. Low evening usage and high personnel costs contribute to the prices people pay for meals, but there are other less obvious reasons, as well. Here, Tish Griffin, UAS's director of food service, offers several ways students can help trim cafeteria costs, and therefore maybe save themselves some money down the road.

- "Stop throwing away the silverware!" Griffin said. "We're down to the point where we can't get through an entire lunch without doing the dishes."

- Realize there's a cost to everything. "Stop using all the condiments when they come in, when they bring their own stuff from home but use our condiments," she said. "You'd never walk into Mi Casa, use their condiments and leave ... But they do that here all the time."

- "A lot of people think they can't eat here. They think it's just for the students," Griffin said. "Tell a friend about eating here. Bring us in some additional business."

- And last, "if students see the portion that they're getting is bigger than they want, that always helps us if they leave it behind. We can sell that to the next person, and it's not wasted."

Student Government News

Kristine Stearns has been elected as the fifth new Senator for the 2000-2001 term. She received 26 of 27 total votes in the October 12th special

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attention deficit hyperactivity disorder.

"Ideally, I thought that if you were a perfect parent you wouldn't have any of those problems," said Monica Preston. "I found out that wasn't true."

The National Institute of Mental Health estimates nearly 3 percent of children (up to age 10) and 8 percent of adolescents (ages 11-17) nationwide suffer from depression. It also estimates 20 percent to 40 percent of depressed children will develop bipolar disorder within five years after depression begins. Girls are more likely than boys to develop depression. But boys are more likely to commit suicide than girls.

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Dear Doc and Deb:

I was recently stood up; I waited for an hour and a half for this guy, and finally I just went out to the bars with my girlfriends. As my girlfriends and I are sitting at the bar he walks in. He immediately saw us and left without saying a word. What's up with that?

Doc says:

I think it's the sack of s__t theory again. He was obviously intimidated by you and your friends. That shows he has no spine whatsoever. Most guys would have at least tried to talk their way out of it, but he just high tailed it out of there. I guess that shows his outstanding character.

Deb says:

He's a retard. While there is always the possibility of extenuating circumstances, I suggest you forget about him. Good call going out with your girlfriends instead of moping around. I am also impressed that you didn't chase after him.



<p>Oct 26</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hypnotist Andrew Becker, 8 pm SAC. Free for SAC members, \$3 general admission. <p>Oct 27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> UAS Alumni Event at the Hangar Ballroom, 8-10 pm. Discovering Southeast Glaciers, Faculty presenter Cathy Connor, Evening at Egan, 7 pm. 	<p>Oct 28</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climbing Wall Traverse Contest, SAC 1 pm. Banfield Hall Haunted House, 6 pm. <p>Oct 30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SAC film: Extreme Climbing, 7 pm. "Rampage" "Yank on Hits" "The Big Up" <p>Oct 31</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stories on a Dark Night, SAC 9 pm. Scary stories read by UAS faculty and students, a UAS tradition! Free. Halloween Staff Costume Contest, 1 pm. Mourant Cafe for judging. Pick or treat all around campus to all. UAS Halloween Dance at the SAC. Costume contest, prizes, food! 9 pm. UAS Halloween Volleyball, 6 pm, MRSchool, free.
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In Review

Now Showing at Juneau's mainstream theaters

By Michael Wilmington
Tribune Media Services

ALMOST FAMOUS. Cameron Crowe's rapturously entertaining picture, based on recollections of his own experience, centers on a nerdy high school senior who lands an unbelievably cool job as a rock journalist in 1973 and goes on a cross-country tour with a band. It is packed with music and laced with heart-piercing wit and romanticism. R (language, drug use, sensuality). 2:00. 4 stars.

THE CONTENDER. This is a smart, tense political drama about presidential politics and sexual scandals. And, though it has large flaws and several unbuyable plot points, there's something salutary about the attempt. R. 2-1/2 stars.

DR. T AND THE WOMEN. Moviemaker Robert Altman, who grew up among the upper classes of Kansas City, Mo., knows the rich murderously well, and he's able to skewer them again in "Dr. T & the Women," a comedy-drama about Dallas society gynecologist Dr. Sullivan Travis (Richard Gere), a man who loves his job and his women. It's a joy. Altman does Dallas the way he did Nashville in "Nashville" or Hollywood in "The Player"; he presents the real city and people, filtered through fantasies. R. 4 stars.

THE EXORCIST. The re-release of the demonically jolting tale about a 12-year-old girl possessed by the devil. It is digitally enhanced, sonically improved, slightly longer and even better than it was in 1973. R (strong language and disturbing images). 2:12. 4 stars.

GET CARTER. A remake of Mike Hodges' 1971 "Croupier." Sylvester Stallone plays a Las Vegas mobster out for revenge for his brother's death. Also stars Michael Caine. Director Stephen Kay and cinematographer Mauro Fiore make the movie look as ugly as it feels; not even Seattle is as gloomy and murky as this. R (violence, language, some sexuality and drug content). 1:42. 1 star.

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October 18: Alaska Day!!

Also October 18: Candidate's Forum for Alaska Legislature and U.S. Congress candidates. Juneau Senior Center at 7 p.m.

Also October 18 - 20: Gear up for the winter season! Boardline Alaska Snowboard Swap at the Nugget Mall. 100% in-store credit or 75% cash back, call 790-4782 for details.

October 21: Peabody's Monster Concert at the SAC. Free to SAC members, \$7.50 general. Action starts at 9 p.m.

October 23: Between the Lines literary reading at The Back Room starting at 7 p.m. Heidi Goshu, UAS student, and Tom Linklater to read, with open mic to follow. \$5

October 26: Ski virtuoso Warren Miller's latest film, "Ride," is being shown at 5:45 or 8 p.m. tonight at Centennial Hall. See warrenmiller.com for more info.

MEET THE PARENTS. An exhausting nightmare comedy about a guy (Ben Stiller) who meets his fiancée's (Teri Polo) parents (Robert De Niro and Blythe Danner) and makes all the wrong moves. Directed by Jay Roach of the "Austin Powers" movies, this comedy scores almost all of its laughs out of extreme anxiety and embarrassment. PG-13 (sexual content, drug references and language). 1:48. 3 stars.

REMEMBER THE TITANS. A good true-life sports movie about a high-school football team at a newly racially integrated school and their determined and successful effort to beat the odds. This totally absorbing film starring Denzel Washington makes it all the way to paydirt and glory. PG (thematic elements and some language). 1:53. 3-1/2 stars.

All It Took Was A Dance

*When you asked me to dance with you,
Underneath the starry sky
I was hoping that you didn't notice,
The sparkle in my eye*

*Not because I don't want to be with you,
But because I want to be with you so much
Thoughts of you fill my head,
All day I yearn for your touch*

*To feel your soft caress,
Would mean more than you could know
With every passing minute,
My feelings for you grow*

*You asked me for a dance,
Such a simple request
Yet, I could feel my heart,
Doing somersaults in my chest*

*All I could think was,
This is too good to be true
I couldn't believe that underneath the stars,
I had a chance to dance with you*

*My pulse began to race,
My heart began to flutter,
My stomach jumped into my chest,
My mind began to stutter*

*I wasn't thinking clearly,
My thoughts weren't forming right
I would have given everything I have
To make that moment last all night*

*Your smile makes me weak,
And your eyes make me melt with just one glance
I don't know what you call it....
But all it took was a dance.*

Written and submitted by: Jen Dunlap, sophomore

October 27: Get your weekly rush - Outdoor Adrenalin Night at the SAC. Climbing movies start at 7 p.m. Free to SAC members, \$5 general.

October 28: Get in the Halloween spirit! Be terrorized in the Banfield Haunted Hall from 6-8 p.m. Show your ghoulish groove at the UAS Halloween Dance at the SAC starting at 9 p.m. Costume contest, prizes, and food!

In Review

Women are from Venus, men are from Uranus (Well aren't they?)

By Alice Albrecht
Whalesong Staff

If you buy no other book this year, this decade or this lifetime, you have to buy *Mars and Venus on a Date* by John Gray, Ph.D. Forget the other "Men are from Mars" books for now and just read this one. Everyone from age 13 to 99 should read this book—both men and women alike. I'm telling you, it explains why men are so friggin' weird!

Okay, I didn't mean to say that... What I did mean to say though, is that men are...shall we say, prehistoric.

The book explains that men need time to develop an attachment to a woman before having sex—or else he may wander off in pursuit of someone else... (*sorry, ladies it's human nature*)

Men are drawn to a woman initially by looks. But when the man is given the chance to get to know her personality as well, and if her personality is as beautiful as her exterior self is, then a man feels he has hit the jackpot! (*Cha Ching, Cha Ching... Where's the wedding ring?*)

The very best dating tip I can give you is this... I equate the typical male with the ancient Tyrannosaurus Rex dinosaur.

If, after a few dates with Mr. Dinosaur, you stand there in front of him and say, "Here I am, come and get me," well, that dinosaur isn't going to be too interested. But, on the other hand, if you run away and aren't so eager to be eaten, then that T-Rex will pursue you to the ends of the earth. (*Kind of like saying, don't run from a bear if you see one on the trail, because it will probably chase you.*)

See, these small-minded dinosaurs figure if the food is just going to lie there, it must not be very appetizing, but if it doesn't hold still, then it's gotta be good!

What I'm trying to say is, men like to pursue. They like women who are a challenge and hard to get. Now listen to this and listen well... a man needs time to develop an attachment to a woman before having sex, or else he may wander away after someone else.

It's not that you are playing games to get him, it's just if you give in too easily, he may give up the chase, as he hasn't gotten to know you well enough to form the bond that lasts.

So back to the book. BUY IT ... BUY IT ... BUY IT... (I paid \$6.99 for the paperback.)

This book explains the **5 STEPS OF DATING**. Don't cheat and skip the steps or else it may get you NOWHERE!

1. Attraction - Putting your best foot forward, and making a good impression on each other ... reeling him in with your feminine wiles.

2. Uncertainty - Men will pull away, let them pull away. Leave them alone! Got it? Let them go to their caves for a few days.... When you pursue a man who is pulling away to reassess his relationship with you, he will pull away even further until you give him the space he needs to think. They need their space. Both men and women have uncertainties, and if you don't give each other space you may end up in a fight over it. For every inch you grow together, expect a space of time apart where you can both have the opportunity to consider your feelings for each other before you come back together. (*What often happens when he pulls away? You want him even more, don't you?*)

3. Exclusivity - This is when you decide you're not going to date anyone else and he agrees he's not going to date anyone else either.

4. Intimacy - If you haven't allowed enough time for a strong bond to form between you it could fall apart once you become intimate and you could end up hurt and feeling used. So take your time, take plenty of time ... take even more time ... you want to be sure don't you?

5. Engagement - This is what most women want. Women want that special guy to get down on his knees and present us with a ring, and all the joy of being with him forever, envelopes over your head like a cloud, and the birds sing and flowers bloom and your mother calls and your friends tell you how lucky you are.

I can't say enough about this book. It has so many hints and stuff on how to attract a man including:

- What to say if he doesn't call and you break down and just have to call him. (That's a male trait—so pursuing the predator is a no no.)

- Men like to feel needed and appreciated. They want to fix stuff for women and do manly things, even if it's to help pick out a stereo or something.

- Men love compliments. They love to talk and have women listen and they love when women say stuff about their masculinity, their personal possessions, how smart they are, etc., and compliments gets their heads a spinning and they start smiling and before you know it they are acting like big babies that go goo, goo.

Example: "Ooooo, I didn't know you had such big biceps. When you vacuum my floor, I can see them bulging in your shirt." The dinosaur will eagerly grab your vacuum and clean your whole house. Just remember, continue to smile as you watch him, compliment his good looks, admire his fantastic physic and interject words like, "wow, that's fantastic you do that so good ..."

The book also shows you what to watch out for. Do you know if a man gives you advice and you say, "well the store clerk said this instead ..." He'll take it as an insult and withdrawal, and they do have feelings. *Yes, I know it's hard to believe isn't it?* Not only do they have feelings, but those feelings get hurt and then like women, they keep those hurt feelings all bottled up for days and when the subject of that darn stereo comes up again, he'll give you this little hurt-mean look and retreats from you emotionally. So *don't ask his advice then not take it...* by doing this, it says to him, *I don't trust your judgment.*

I just can't say enough about this book. There is so much to learn from this book, so don't be cheap, spend the money, and within a few days you too can have a better understanding of the "WEAKER" Sex!

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Place: The Hanger Ballroom

Ticket prices: \$20 general admission
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Tickets available at the UAS Development Office 465-6416
Must be 21 to attend • ID required • tickets sales limited to 125

Horoscopes

By Tyler Bishop
Whalesong Staff

Aries

Independence is a key word for you. As an Aries you dislike taking orders from others. This may cause you to be very high strung. Take time to examine your surroundings before committing to a task.

Taurus

You have very high idealistic principles. You tend to have a concise way of seeing things. A job that is very structured is what best suits you.

Gemini

Your receptive personality draws people to you. Use this to your advantage to get things done.

Cancer

Your shell-like complex is very unhealthy. You long so desperately to be loved but have trouble making a commitment. Once you gain control of your emotions things will fall into place.

Leo

You dislike routine monogamous work. You must find new and exciting tasks to keep your mind sharp.

Virgo

You rarely will find a Virgo daydreaming. Virgos are doers they make things happen. You will often find Virgos in libraries absorbing as much knowledge as they can.

Libra

You strive for balance in all parts of your life. If you are not at equilibrium you will seek restlessly to restore balance. You often find yourself overwhelmed trying to put a chaotic world in perfect balance.

Scorpio

You are a sign of extremes. Scorpions have been known to be ruthless, powerful, as well as weak and cold. Your personality varies so much it is hard to know what kind of mood you're in.

Sagittarius

Luck is on your side in the upcoming weeks. Make the most of what you are given and you will come out ahead.

Capricorn

Destiny awaits you. You have an inner feeling that says you have more to gain in this life than anyone else. You are a natural leader that takes control.

Aquarius

You can make friends wherever you go. Your social skills are extremely high. You sometimes make friends with the wrong people and this will cause you many problems.

Pisces

You often search for the easy way out of things. You are known for starting projects and not finishing them. You tend to be led by passion which often times leads you astray from what your true desires are.

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Ask Doc & Deb...

Dear Doc and Deb:

A) Is it too dramatic to be in love with someone after 1 hour of being with him or her?

B) Is it too dramatic to consider marrying someone after knowing him or her for 1 day?

Doc says:

If you only know someone for an hour and you feel that you are in love, than you either have something seriously wrong with you or maybe you have met your soul mate. Love at first site is something that we all dream of but rarely happens. If this is one of those rare occurrences why do you want to ruin it by going and getting married? It has been found that once you're married your level of happiness goes down. With marriage comes kids and responsibility. Do you really want all that?

Deb says:

For god's sake people can we make our questions any more blurred! Who the hell cares if something is "too dramatic," it sounds like you really want to know if we (or society) believe in love at first sight and if we think getting married after knowing someone an hour is ok. If that is the case than say

it! Or if you really want to know if these things are "too dramatic" than yes! Those are both very dramatic things, but that does not mean they are wrong. In my opinion, which is by the way what you are asking for, I don't believe in falling in love after being with someone for one hour. I believe in lust at first sight and strong attraction at the sub-conscious level, but love is a HUGE, botanical garden, of a feeling and it takes a bit more than an hour to cultivate. The good thing is that once it is there it can continue to expand, if it is nurtured or it can be nipped in the bud. Which brings us to the marriage question, if you are in love than that love will be there the next day, next week, next month...what's the rush in getting married? If it is truly an endearing and strong love it won't matter if you wait a year before you get married and that is what I recommend.

Dear Doc and Deb:

So I hooked up with this guy and now he doesn't call. Why?

Doc says:

You should know by now that most, if not all, guys are worthless, no good, sacks of s...t. Be more selective in the guys that you choose. If you find yourself in this predicament often maybe you should reevaluate your moral positions on "hooking up".

Deb says:

Did you just hook up with the guy or did you HOOOOK up with the guy? There are many reasons a guy doesn't call and I won't even attempt to try and explain the psyche of the average male thought pattern. If you just hooked up with the guy, than perhaps you two just weren't meant for each other and he recognized the incompatibility before you. Still, he should have been more of an adult and informed you of his discovery before he called it quits. To give him the benefit of the doubt perhaps you just haven't given him enough time to get back to you, it is football season you know. Now, if you HOOOOKED up then there is always the "he got what he wanted" attitude which is a pretty safe bet, yet again, he could be concerned about Gore and Bush, it's still a toss up as to which one is better looking. There are so many circumstances and possibilities to this scenario so my advice...CALL HIM AND ASK HIM, "Why haven't you called?" Be prepared for the worst and when he says "Uh...I don't know," tell him, "Gore is by far better looking than Bush" then hang up and move on baby!

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